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13	for 13 years	1,210	of 1,151 92 for 1,250
14	for 14 years	1,310	of 1,245 41 for 1,350
15	for 15 years	1,410	of 1,338 90 for 1,450
16	for 16 years	1,510	of 1,432 39 for 1,550
17	for 17 years	1,610	of 1,525 88 for 1,650
18	for 18 years	1,710	of 1,619 37 for 1,750
19	for 19 years	1,810	of 1,712 86 for 1,850
20	for 20 years	1,910	of 1,806 35 for 1,950

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SHAMROCK DAY.

Ireland's Patron Saint Honored by
Wheeling Hibernian Societies.

MULLEN DIVISION'S CONCERT

Was an Unqualified Success Last Night, and Parke Division Will Entertain Monday Evening—Falling on Saturday, Was Inconvenient for its Observance—Something of St. Patrick and the Emerald Isle.

To-morrow, the Seventeenth of March, is a day dear to the hearts of Irishmen the world over, for it is St. Patrick's day. Sprigs of green will be conspicuous and the day will be commemorated suitably. On account of its falling on Saturday this year, here in Wheeling its observance by the Irish societies was divided. Last night, at St. Mary's hall, in the Eighth ward, a splendid musical and literary programme was rendered in the concert given by Mullen division, A. O. H., and its ladies' auxiliary, and on Monday evening at the Carroll club auditorium, will occur the entertainment by Parke division, A. O. H. Last night's entertainment, concluded with a one-act farce, entitled "Economy is Wealth." The programme in detail was as follows:

Music, Mrs. T. Padden, Mr. W. Braddock
Address, Rev. Joseph Mullen
Solo, Mr. Henry Reuter
Recitation, Miss Ellen Gulligan
Solo, Mrs. Henry Reuter
Recitation, Mrs. Charles Gleason
Solo, Miss Fannie Robinson
Music, Mandolin and Guitar,
Messrs. Normie and Leach
Recitation, Mr. and Mrs. Reuter, Mr. T. Miller
Recitation, Miss Grace Gulligan
Solo, Mr. Ignatius Brennan
Recitation, Mr. Charles Ray
Quartette, Messrs. Robert Arkle, Tom Miller, Will Gundling and Albert Fladins.
Music, Mrs. T. Padden, Mr. W. Braddock

One-Act Farce, Characters.

Mr. Alex. Dabblenton, Daniel Brennan
Mrs. Alex. Dabblenton, Miss Mary Tucker
Mr. Bird Plover, Mr. Jas. Tully
Mrs. Bird Plover, Miss Mamie Lavelle
Doctor, Mr. Leo La Flam
Maggie, Miss Kate Norton
St. Patrick's day is the anniversary of either the birth or death, no one knows which, of the saint who is alleged to have rid Ireland of snakes and vermin and who converted the pagan Irish to the religion of the Roman Catholic church, which universally observes the day.

The land of Ireland abounds in myths to nearly as great extent as the land of the ancient Greeks. There is no doubt but that such a man as St. Patrick lived in the fourth or fifth centuries, but the legends about his personality and work are so many and the facts so remote, that to elaborate to any great extent in writing of him is mere speculation.

The date of his birth is given by some authorities as the year A. D. 373, by others as 386, and still others as 372. His birthplace is said by some to have been Pembroke, Wales; by others Nemhitum, England; by others Tiberia, Scotland, and yet again, Tours, France. According to an autobiography, which it is claimed St. Patrick left, he is of mixed extraction, claiming himself to be both a Roman and a Briton. One authority gives his original Celtic name as "Succat."

The date of his death is also a matter of great difference of opinion. Different authorities give his age as 88, 116 and 121 years respectively. St. Patrick died at a place called Saul, which place is still revered by the natives.

From the different accounts it may be gathered that his father was a farmer; that his mother was a sister of St. Martin; that "Succat" was stolen from home by pirates and sold to a slave master in Wales, where he served him several years and then escaped and went to France, at which place he was later ordained by an unknown bishop and sent to Ireland at an advanced age as a missionary. When he arrived at Wicklow and talked with the chiefs of the pagan Irish, the people were angry and ready to fall upon him, but he finally won them to his teachings. One of his strongest arguments, and one which really caused their conversion, was his illustration of the principle of the Trinity, or three in one, by using a shrub or small stem on which three branches grew and therefore the emblematic shamrock of to-day.

One legend says that while pagan fires burned on one hill, he started a fire on another hill, and that the people were overwhelmingly impressed.

No legend is more common than that of his ridding the snakes and vermin from Ireland. One legend says that he did it by beating a drum, another that he used his staff. Although he was probably not the first missionary to go to Ireland, on account of the magnitude of the work he accomplished, the conversion of Ireland is credited to this noted saint. During his stay on the island, which covered a period ranging from some thirty to sixty years, he established 365 churches and many schools and colleges. He baptised kings and their subjects alike, in all more than 10,000 people. Before his death, it is said, he became blind with age and long service. One account states that previous to his beginning his missionary work in Ireland he was a monk.

Like all great people whose lives live after them, it was his benevolence and goodness which has made his memory perpetual. Even myths concerning a great man, if they live long after him, will cling on the noble traits of his life.

Card of Thanks.

W. A. Bennett, Esq., Gen'l Supt. Equitable Industrial Insurance Company of Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir—Your state superintendent, H. Holland, branch office northeast corner of Twelfth and Chapline, paid me thirty-seven dollars (\$37.00) in full, due me by the death of my mother, Mary L. Strange. Such promptness is certainly a credit to the company. I may say for the benefit of all insurers, this is the company for the working classes. My mother was only insured "two weeks."

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NO CHANGE IN SCALE.

Conference at Pittsburgh Leaves Wages of Sheet Mill Workers Unchanged—Sales Don't Justify the Increase.

The delayed bi-monthly adjustment of the wages of workers in the sheet mills of the country controlled by the Amalgamated Association was held yesterday morning at Pittsburgh. John Jarrett represented the manufacturers, and Secretary John Williams and Assistant President Benjamin I. Davis conducted the examination for the workers. The result will be a disappointment to the 20,000 men employed in the union mills, as it was determined that the sales of the months of January and February did not warrant any change in the wages.

The conference lasted about an hour, during which the return of sales that had been made were examined. It was found that although some sales were at profitable prices most of them were at the low rates made when the former attempt to combine the sheet interests of the country was abandoned, on November 1, 1899. The market improved about the first of the year, when it was announced that the prospects for a new combination scheme was favorable. Prices then advanced a point or two above the base of the sliding scale, and manufacturers were careful not to take any business for future delivery at a low rate.

The workers were confident of at least an advance of about 2 per cent, as they have not yet had an increase while the wages of the puddlers and finishers have been advanced twice since the scale went into effect on July 1. Complaint is being made that the interests of the sheet mill workers were not as carefully provided for as other branches of the iron and steel industry controlled by the Amalgamated Association. The base of the scale is entirely too high, the workers say, to enable them to participate in the increasing prosperity in the iron and steel business as they should. This matter will receive attention at the next annual convention of the Amalgamated Association, which is to be held in Indianapolis in May.

The sheet mills of the central west that will be included in the consolidation will close down Saturday for one week for the purpose of taking inventory. A meeting of the promoters was held in New York several days ago, and it is announced as a result that it is reasonably certain a large local company and a Wheeling interest, thus far counted outside, will be included in the consolidation when the final apportionment of stock takes place.

THE PURIM BALL.

A Beautiful Affair—A Paper Bombardment a Feature.

The rooms of the Mercantile Club on Main street, presented a gay and animated scene last night, on the occasion of the annual Purim ball. The affair was given for the children and the way they enjoyed themselves was something to delight and please the eye of the older members of the Hebrew circle. Last evening's affair was the most successful celebration of the kind ever given at the elegant quarters of this club.

The little folks danced the cotillon and there were six different favors presented to the children, consisting of fans, silk flags, butterflies, the serpent, and the Dewey bombardment. The latter consisted of paper balls, which when thrown at each other, exploded and filled the air with tiny bits of waving paper. The floor of the entire club room was covered with these bits of paper, the result of the juvenile's frolics.

The children danced from 8 until 10 o'clock, and the entire assemblage partook of a sumptuous banquet at that hour, after which the older folks danced until midnight. Meister's orchestra discoursed the dance music. The success of the affair is due to the efforts of the following committee: Dave Kraus, chairman; Leon Stein, Leonard Heyman, Leon Sonneborn and Joe Baer.

POLITICAL POINTERS.

A very interesting story is going the rounds concerning the elements in sway of the local Democracy. It is to the effect that the "knocking" on the refunding ordinance in the Sixth ward, where it received such a reverse, was inspired to a considerable extent by "Billy" Irwin, the shrewdly aspirant, the work, however, being delegated to Mr. Irwin's chief lieutenant in the ward, Councilman Harry Gardley, whose sudden change of front on the question caused some surprise. Opposition to Mayor Sweeney's popularity is said to have influenced the efforts to swamp the ordinance, for when the mayor polled such a vote in the last city election, his name was given a boom for sheriff in the Democratic camp. There is nothing like being the whole thing, you know.

The two most active candidates for the Republican nomination for commissioner in Union district are Ben Higgins, who would like to succeed himself, and ex-Councilman Herman Zwicker. Others mentioned are Councilman M. A. Chew and Harry Hocking, the popular mill man.

Commissioner H. P. McGregor's only opponent in Madison so far, is Louis Smith, the florist, but there is some talk of Councilman Bradbury entering the lists.

CITY AFFAIRS.

The council committee on fire department will make its annual tour of the ward engine houses, including the house in course of construction in the East End, on March 23. The trip is generally made in the patrol wagon, the newspaper scribes being included in the party.

The board of public works' employees will be paid to-morrow. The pay roll is small, \$220.50, because little outside work can be done at this time of year.

City Clerk O'Brien has sent out notices to saloonkeepers, notifying them that the time for presenting license applications is drawing nigh.

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To Satisfy Military Cravings and Then Left the Town.

James Weiner, a young man from the East End, and a member of Company A, First Infantry, West Virginia National Guard, ran away from home several days since, and no trace of his movements can be ascertained. The parents of young Weiner assert that the boy is only sixteen years of age, and that he joined the local military company without their knowledge or consent. As no boy under eighteen is eligible to become a member of the guard, and all under the age of twenty-one must have the signature of parents on enlistment papers, it is evident that the young man forged his father's name to these papers. When the boy learned that he would be amenable to the law for forgery he concluded it better to get further away from home.

AMUSEMENTS.

"Because She Loved Him So," a new comedy with a catchy title, which will be presented at the Opera House this evening kept all New York laughing for an entire season and ran to crowded houses all last summer in Chicago. It is the greatest comedy success of its author, William Gillette, who adapted it from the French of Bisson and Leclercq, and is the first work from his pen since he wrote the now famous "Secret Service." The title of the piece is in a manner explanatory of the story it tells. Mr. Gillette has been uniformly and emphatically successful in rendering French farce into delightful English adaptations and in "Because She Loved Him So," he is said to have been as effective and graceful as in the numerous other adaptations that have been made by him. Right down through the long list from "All the Comforts of Home," and Mr. Wilkinson's "Widows," to "Too Much Johnson," theatre-goers have never failed to find plenty of hearty and healthy laughter in the comedies that have worn Mr. Gillette's name. It is only reasonable to expect for the man who wrote "Secret Service"—an American play that has triumphed in both the new and old worlds—that this new play will be bright and entertaining as well as in every way worthy of his great reputation.

The Clemens Company.

In spite of the very disagreeable weather there were good sized audiences at the Grand yesterday afternoon and evening, to witness the performances given by Mr. Cameron Clemens and his very capable supporting company. The members of the company demonstrated their talent in comedy roles last night when "My Friend From Japan" was given a very artistic production. Another comedy bill, "He Married for Money," is offered for this afternoon, and to-night the intensely thrilling melo-drama, "Raglan's Way," one of the strongest plays in the repertoire of the company.

"A Black Sheep."

Hoyt's very pronounced success, "A Black Sheep," will be presented in this city to-morrow, matinee and evening.

at the Opera House. "A Black Sheep" differs from the greater number of modern farces, inasmuch as there is not a stale joke or "gag" sprung during the entire performance. As in all of Hoyt's pieces there is plenty of liquor, and in "A Black Sheep" there are plenty of people to drink it, notably an Arizona editor (William Devere), who has the editorial sanctum connected with the bar by a cash railway. As "Hot Stuff," the principal in the play, George Allen is said to be ridiculously funny, and his every word and motion sets the audience into fits of prolonged laughter. His Arizona waltz with Lulu Beeson is reported as the funniest specialty ever introduced in comedy.

Peck's Bad Boy.

It would be difficult to imagine anything funnier than that funniest of all funny comedies, "Peck's Bad Boy," which will appear at the Grand the first half of next week. It is funnier than Peck's book the Bad Boy and his Pa. This is because word painting, no matter how clever, cannot be as vivid as real action. You laugh when you read the book, but you roar when you see the same Bad Boy in flesh and blood perform those tricks. The cast contains many old and new favorites.

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DIED.

WARD—At his residence, 133 Eighteenth street, on Wednesday, March 14, 1900, at 1:25 o'clock p. m., KRUBEN A. WARD, in his 53d year.

Funeral services Saturday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Friends of the family respectfully invited to attend. Interment at Peninsula cemetery.

SEITTER—On Thursday, March 15th, 1900, at 1:15 o'clock a. m., Charles Seitter, in his 33d year.

Funeral notice hereafter.

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